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Attention: Examiner Anh Ly

Re: U.S. Patent Appl. No. 10/086,026 Filed: February 26, 2002  
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## Message

Per our exchange of voicemails, please find attached a proposed agenda for our interviewer in the above referenced matter. I will follow-up with you to schedule a particular date and time. Thank you.

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**Agenda for Examiner Interview Regarding  
U.S. Patent Application No. 10/086,026**

- I. Discussion of Claimed Invention
  
- II. Discussion of References Made of Record
  - A. U.S. Patent No. 5,745,776 to Sheppard II
  - B. U.S. Patent No. 6,678,694 to Zimmerman
  
- III. Discussion of Differences Between Claimed Invention and References Made of Record
  - A. Claim 1
  - B. Claim 29